Thursday, June 17, 2004

Work begins to add new safety system for Return to Flight

the fun. Food will be served 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. Your ticket is required on the day of the event. Contact Stacie Smith, 867-5298, for more information.

◆ Disability Awareness & Action Working Group (DAAWG) presents second employee focus session

— The DAAWG cordially invites KSC Civil Service and Contractor employees to attend the next Focus Session being presented to discuss the goals and objectives of the group, activities planned for the year, and how interested employees can participate. The focus session includes time to network and further discuss areas of interest. Light refreshments will be available at that time. Plan to attend at the MFF Cafeteria from 1:30 to 3 p.m. June 22*. To help facilitate arrangements, please RSVP Peggy Parrish via e-mail to

Peggy. G.Parrish@nasa.gov or call 476-4000. (*Change in date)

◆ "The Sky Is the LiMIT" Expo

— Lockheed –Martin/OAO invites employees to stop by the O&C Mission Briefing Room between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. **today** for the ODIN IT Expo 2004. Show support for the Space Program by wearing a shirt with the NASA logo or your company logo and receive an extra goodie

(limited to one per customer).

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Aura ready to move to VAFB launch site

Shuttle Update: Workers have begun installing wiring (see below) on the orbiter Discovery for the Orbiter Boom Sensor System. One of the new safety measures is equipping the Shuttle with cameras and laser systems to inspect the Shuttle exterior while in space.



▲ ELV Update: Retesting of the Delta II launch vehicle for the Aura spacecraft was successfully completed June 15 at Vandenberg AFB. Aura is ready to be moved to Space Launch Complex 2 on Friday.

Autonomy testing of MESSEN-GER is complete. Installation of thermal blankets continues. There are no technical issues or concerns with MESSENGER or its associated Delta II rocket at this time.

◆ 2004 KSC BEST BBQ — Rain or shine, the BEST BBQ will take place from 3 to 6 p.m. Friday under the pavilion at KARS Park II (closest to KSC). Arrive early and don't miss

♦ Education Opportunity — Call-



ing all engineers. The University of Miami (Cape Canaveral Program) is accepting applications for the

Master of Science in Industrial Engineering degree. Applicants can start the program in the fall term, starting in October. Courses are held Friday evenings and Saturdays to accommodate working professionals. For more information and to receive an application/brochure, please call Augusto Roca, program administrator, at 305-284-4100 or send e-mail to *augusto@miami.edu*.

- ◆ NASA Science Like crowds of people, crowds of molecules can be hard to predict. An experiment onboard the International Space Station is helping physicists decipher the group behavior of atoms and molecules. Read the full story at http://science.nasa.gov/headlines/y2 004/16jun colloids.htm.
- ◆ Did You Know? Father's Day, Sunday, was first recognized nationally in 1924, but not officially claimed until 1966 on the third Sunday of June by Lyndon Johnson's presidential proclamation.